



Alberta to Alaska Railway

Study Commissioned by the Van Horne Institute

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- ◆ Design, Permit, Build & Operate a multipurpose railway from Alberta to tidewater
- ◆ Capacity to move commodities, goods people & data (fibre optics)
- ◆ Potential to also connect Alaska to lower 48 states
- ◆ First Nations engaged will be full partners in the project

Legend

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| — Proposed Alberta to Alaska Railroad (CAN) | ★ State/Provincial Capital |
| — Proposed Alberta to Alaska Railroad (US) | • City/Town/Settlement |
| — Proposed Alternative Alignment (CAN) | — Major Roadway |
| — Proposed Tok to Valdez via Chitina | ▭ Political Boundaries |
| — Alaska Railroad | ▭ Federal Boundary |
| — Alaska Railroad - Under Construction | |
| — CN | |
| — TAPS Pipeline | |

Success Factors of A2A



1. **Evidence:** Project design and scope began with VHI study on the project concept
2. **Long term Structure:** First Nations are not just “being consulted” on our project. This will be their project too, through an innovative ownership structure.
 - We will connect Alberta to tidewater & also connect Nations to the economic activity around them.
3. **Talent:** Team assembled to execute

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Participants

- ❖ Commissioned by Peter Wallis – VHI
- ❖ Participants – AECOM, U of Alaska, Michigan Tech, G7G, Shiroco
- ❖ Government of Alberta

Purpose of the study

- ❖ Government of Alberta asked VHI to determine the feasibility (study level) & the viability of moving bitumen on a purpose built railways
- ❖ VHI wanted to explore the possibility of a new mineral supply chain that would be facilitated by a railway
- ❖ Business opportunities for First Nations



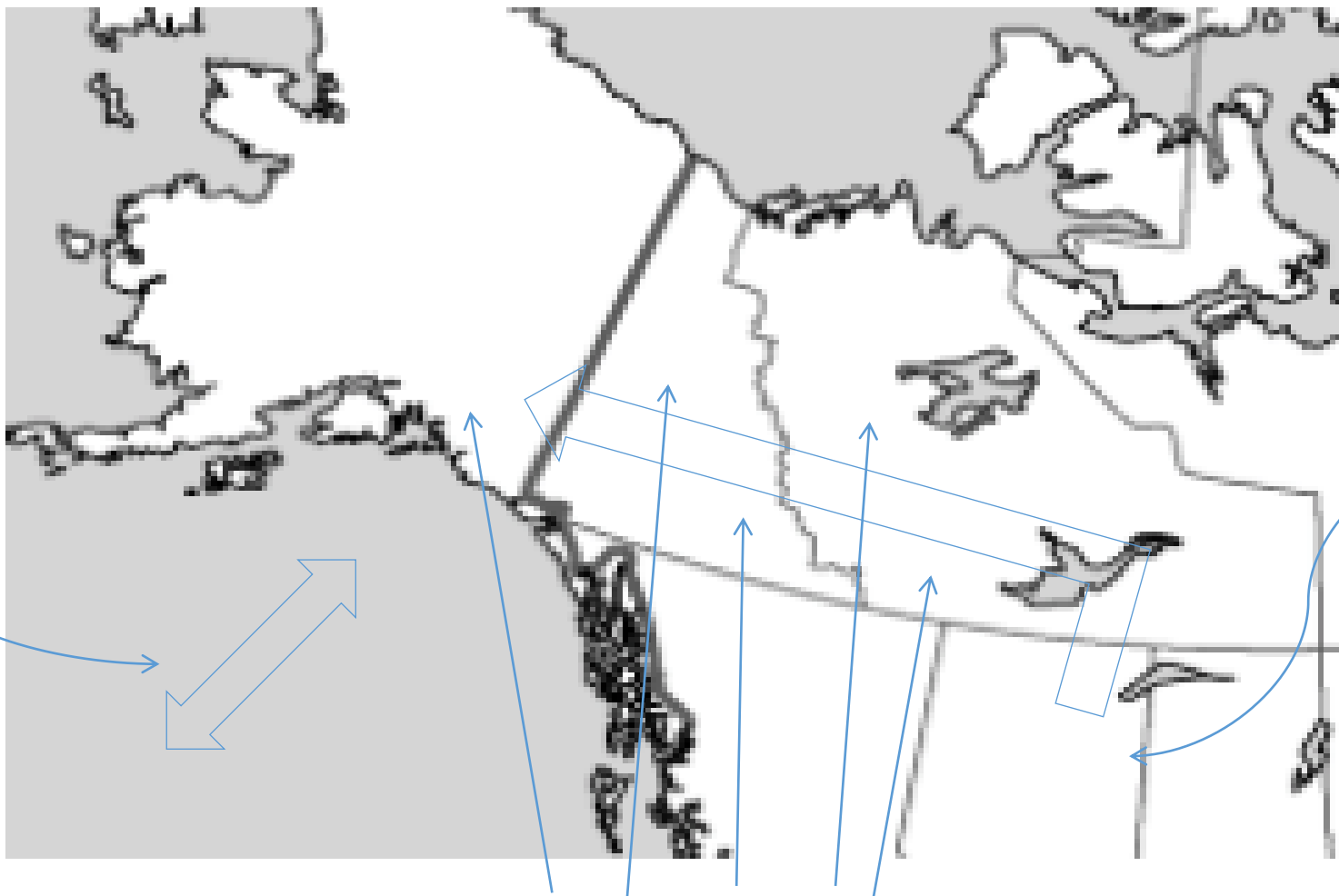
The Findings



- Favourable Alignment was discovered between Fort McMurray Alberta and Delta Junction Alaska, the Trans Alaska Pipeline system TAPS pipeline .
- Delta Junction could be a interchange point from Rail to Pipe
- End point of Valdez, is one of the worlds safest ports that handles petrochemical
- Reverse flow of goods could be moved from the Asia Pacific to Canada or the U.S. as freight could be interchanged to the Alaska Railway utilizing ports in Alaska.

Positive Impacts of the Project: Canadian & US economy improved position to export & import

Additional route into and out of North America



Landlocked commodities can be moved to market

First Nation's real & substantial ownership of a major enterprise



A2A: Economic & Financial Highlights



✧ NPV/barrel : **\$8 - \$10 a barrel** for the rail portion modelling 1.5 and 1.0 mpbd

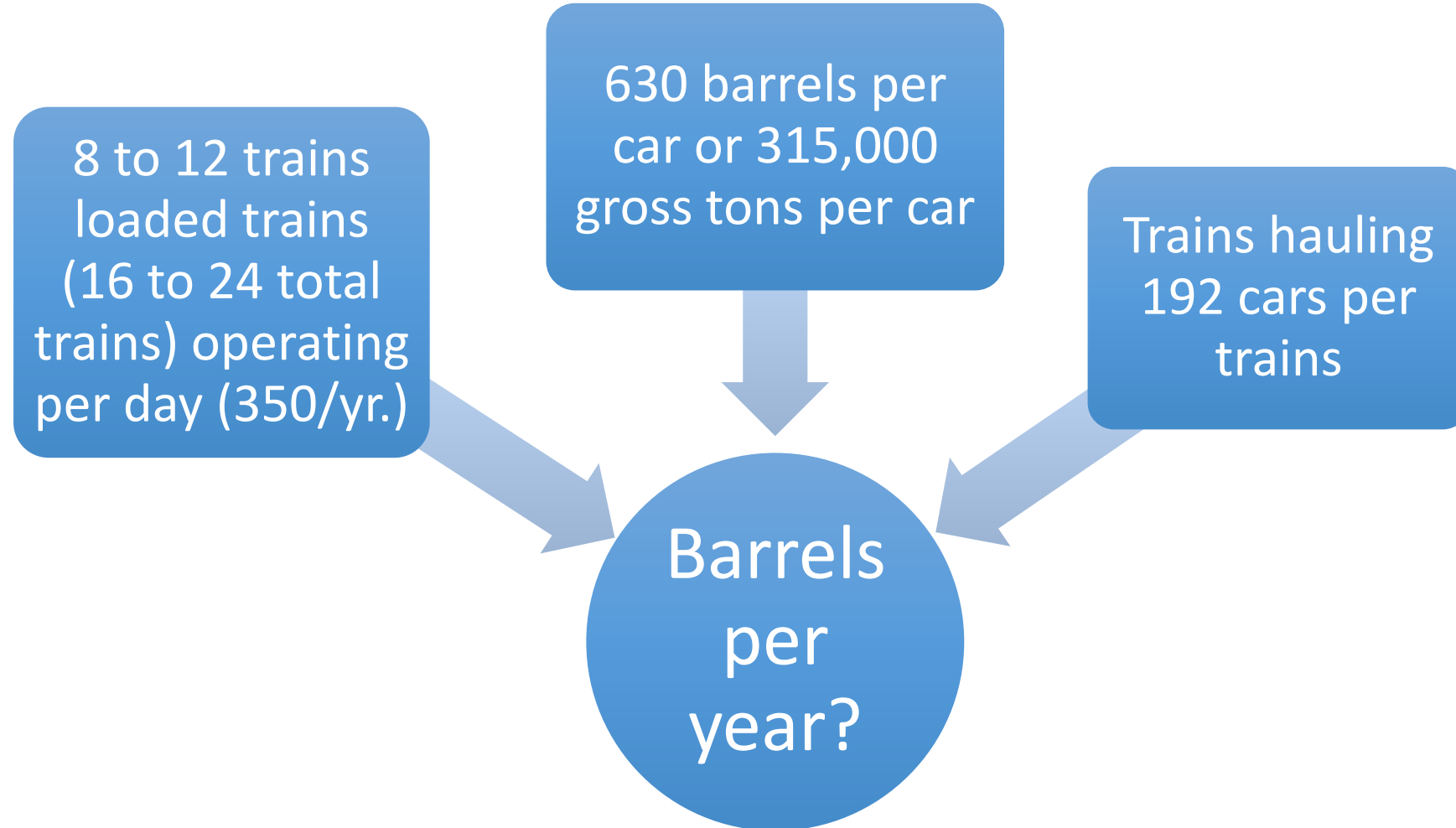
✧ NPV tested using high hurdle of 10.2% - increase capital cost of 50% and operating cost increase of 50% under scenarios of 1 mbp.



✧ All in capital cost range **\$14 Billion - \$20 million**

A2A: Operating Highlights

- ✧ Utilizing 6 distributed locomotives in train,
- ✧ ECP braking, and driver assist technology



Team: Full Project lifecycle experience



- The project team members have a direct proven track record in conceiving and implementing major infrastructure developments

✧ John Falcetta

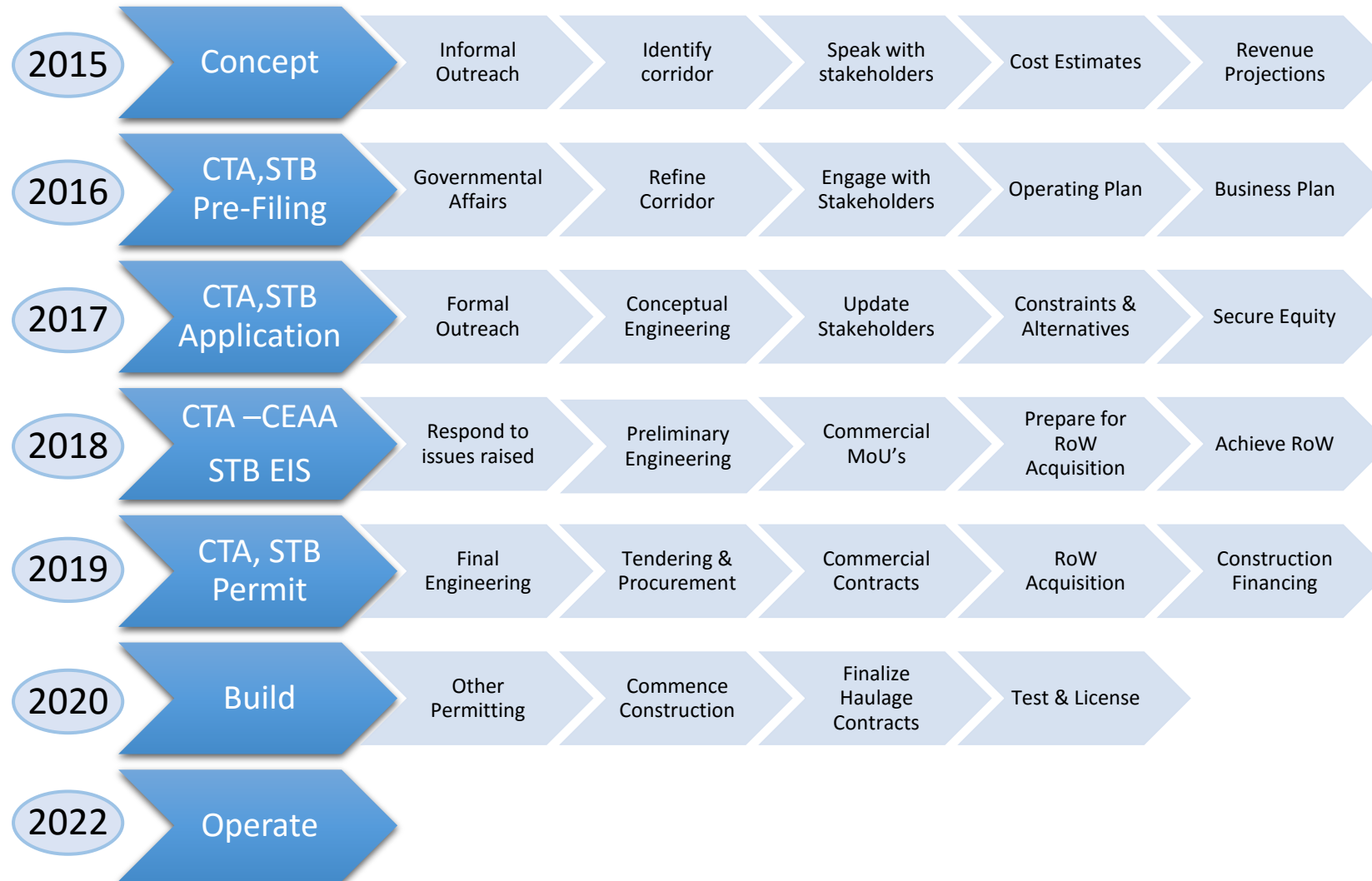
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A2A Proposed Timeline





Thank you for your attention

Questions

